should never be omitted by figures bearing the American stamp, lack of breadth and en bon point,

Notwithstanding the rage for novelty in dress at any cost of comfort, health or beauty, the hoop retains its many-circled hold on the affections of its wearers. Indoed, being now sensibly modified in size and shape, wear, it bids fair to become a permanent investment. For fancy dress, with full, long train, large but artist cally sloping hoops gracefully support the bedizened array; while for street, carriage or simple at home use, they are much smaller, and no longer subject the wearer to the innumerable annoyances of an elaborate tour-

ling extremes, denizens of this doubtful sphere, who swung six yards of flashy circumference on a three-yard hoop yesterday, will to-day proudly trail the same unhappy flounces with a crinoline in the new style, not half the size. How easy in these trifles of appropriateness and adaptation to distinguish the lady, who alone can divest a "new" fashion of the vulgarity of its new-

For Spring wear, Balmoral skirts Lave narrow stripes in less heavy materials. Very desirable styles have a wearer narrow ruffle on the edge; others have various bands braided. As an economical preservative, these should be lined with water-proof facing. This article is much used for rich sliks, but surrounds the wearer with a most uncomfortable consplcuousness, from the crackling, scraping sound produced by its contact with the American Institute-Polytechnic Associa-

The prevalent use of the Balmoral skirt requires special attention to be paid the chauseure, that it may be suited to the sky and tronoir. Now-a-days, a shee that is sensible is always in fashion, and a thick boot no

wrappings. Mantles continue to be cut in the favorite eircular of moderate length, their only distinguishing tion. Shawis are ever popular in the transition season. when the white eashmeres, so seldom unfolded, enjoy

Fashion with the "whimpering younglings" of to-day, we would like to contrast enrefully garnered bundles of nost imperceptible plaits, and the quaint lace-trimmed | th caps and capes and tuckers which stocked the expectant baby-basket of fifty years ago with the now fashionable ounces upon us at our first cry, never to give o'er until she has dictated the cut of our cerements. Truly one may be pardoned a little sentiment, even about clothes, if they are for a baby, especially for one's own babyholds whole cantos of heart-poems, hiding away tropes and figures of inexhaustible beauty in each snowy fold

We could wish that every mother were her own modiste so far as her nurselings are concerned, and that millinery dictators would not include these tender citizens in their manifestoes and proclamations; but as there is no hope of this blessed immunity, we must be thankful for merciful edicts which do not "let the little colt go bare"-legged, and which have ordered innumerable warm, soft, woolen, hnitted things "to wrap the baby-buntin in," who in former days was sullenly or squallingly blue and miserable in the invariable bare hen a layer of cyanics, and many, Carboactor may be such as the property of the same and the top; the tube is now drawn out and beauty or comfortable adaptation to the small needs of these small folks. For little girls, the chemisette, with peasant waist and full, flowing lype, elegantly braided, or trimmed with marrow volunts, forms a most attractive costume; saucy little jackets, variously bedizened with tassels, bows, or fringes, to correspond with the skiri, accompany these pretty tolettes. For early Spring, the fine alpeas in mode colors, admitting of bright, tinted combinations in decoration, will be most-apopular for at home or afrect wear. As the senson advances plud, percelse sor plain carabries in solid colors will supplant these. Braided in claburate arabeaque, and will constitute the most sufferive costumes plud, percelse or plain carabries for boys in frocks as well as their slaters. A favorite style for boys from two to four years of age is the Russian dress—full blouses of pique or Marsellles, covered with an over-acceptance of the colors of the same, and the added novelty of a Highland pecket.

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are finished with the ever pretty hood and tassels, temperature than now stated,

To lend a moment's thought in reviewing the above record, which but briefly hints at the legion of available styles, it would indeed appear as if a reform must be to relieve of such small diameter, for in addition to soon inaugurated and the nation freed from the opprobrium of being the worst dressed people in the world.

suited to the sky and trottoir. Now a days, a snow that is sensible is always in fashion, and a thick boot no longer clausy. Black is the invariable hue for the street; but at home or for the carriage, the boot must match to a nicety the colors of the dress. This holds good for evening dress, in which the predominant hue good for evening the predominant hue good for evening dress, in which the predom match to a nicety the colors of the dress. This holds good for evening dress, in which the predominant has decides the choice of the dainty boot or slippers. The fit of adancing shoe should be perfect, neither tight nor loose, but that happy medium which makes one unconscious of pressure, and yet sensible of support.

Parsols are not fringed, but handles are long being method, in which Messas, fifth and the support of the

The double row of cushions for the front hair is adapted but to a few, they destroy the contour of the head, and can be pleasing only to a taste morbidly craving novelty. The Grecian, or profuse fall of ringlets from the back comb is a revival of a long ago mode; this is graceful, and might be a favorite but for its inevitable suggestion of the walking indies on genteel comedy nights.

The side comb is truly something newunder the sun, quite a feature in the present full head-dress; but only novel, not conducing to beauty—the only legitimate end of all adornment. These are to be found in great variety: pearl, gold, delicate amber, shell, ivory, etc., in every style and device even to grotesqueness; since the Spring styles reproduce vegetables, fruits and insects, we may safely predict their early downfall.

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brium of being the worst dressed people in the world. This in fact, at present, is true only in respect to ever dressing, and the incongruity between the dress and its wearer—costume and the scene of its display—the old vexed dramatic question of unity as to time and place revived in the great comedy of clothes.

SCIENCE AND ART.

American Institute—Polytechnic Association.

A regular meeting was held on Thursday evening, March 17, the Chairman, S. D. TILMAN, exquerening, March 17, the Chairman, S. D. TILMAN, exquerediding. During the time devoted to new inventious presiding. During the time devoted to new inventious presiding. During the time devoted to new inventious the requisite heat.

SCIENCE CONDENSES.

was generally carried to such extent the steam garded, however, as a conditional structure, only to remain until the true foundations of the science are laid, by the breader generalizations of some future GAUSS. It may be suggested in this connection that the implied coexistence of several distinct "ethers," as the medit may be suggested in this connection that the implied coexistence of several distinct "ethers," as the medit may be suggested in this connection that the implied in may be suggested in this connection that the implied in may be suggested in this connection that the implied in may be suggested in this connection that the implied in the forces of light, heat, actinism, magnetism, and on many of the recent varieties of sea going craft, when high steam is carried, and only a small degree of expansion used, the steam is discharged at above atmospheric pressure. If this steam is taken entirely into a condense, whether jet or surface, it will require mespheric pressure were allowed to expansion used, the steam is taken entirely into a condense, whether jet or surface, it will require mespheric pressure were allowed to expansion used, the steam is taken entirely into a condense, whether jet or surface, it will require the same elastic, subtle, all-permeating all-perveding recondensed, and the remainder treated in the unconstant, and the surplus allower atmospheric pressure gauges, had an eaglest and manner. Joshua Lowe, an inventor well known in connection with pressure gauges, had an eaglest animal manner. Joshua Lowe, an inventor well known in connection with pressure gauges, had an eaglest animal manner. Joshua Lowe, an inventor well known in connection with pressure gauges, had an eaglest animal manner. Joshua Lowe, an inventor well known in connection with pressure gauges, had an eaglest animal manner. Joshua Lowe, an inventor well known in connection with pressure gauges, had an eagle retaining in the animal manner. Joshua Lowe, an inventor well known in the same the considered treatment of this k

Another handsome toilette for a somewhat older boy is the Rob Roy dress: waist and coat-sleeve of brilliant plaid stuff, skirt of plain peptin, trimmed with a band of the same, and the added novelty of a Highland pecket attached to one side. If our young master has achieved the dignity of going to his tailor, he will order beautiful pants and jacket of gray meltons, braided, or otherwise decoré to suit his years and taste. Zouave trowers and jacket are still worn, though the fever for military fancy dress is in a measure abated.

Hats are the invariable beaddress for children, as we have had occasion to remark. Their crowns are much lower this Spring, the shapes exceedingly graceful and becoming. Heron and peacock feathers, searlells, glass tassels, and pompons of spun glass, pear a lightent than the time when the temperature of the Colar Regions was 1925 Fah., at which despet the paides a proposal conditions of the cooled to that temperature, and from calculations which along the paider in consequence of the coolness of the earth, to be plaid ribbons. Straw caps, bound with Scotch tartant row velvet or alpaca braid, or embroidered in braiding patterns. More tasteful are the loose scaques of the gare, and are finished with the ever pretty hood and tastels.

NEW-YORK DALLY TRIBUNE, SATURDAY, MARCH 26, 1864.—TRIP)

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The further discussion showed that in the surface-condensing apparatus and beliers used in this country, no serious effects have been observed when the copper tubes of the condensers are tinned and a small quantity of sait water is used in the boiler.

After selecting the subject of "Iron" for the next discussion, the Association adjourned to Thursday evening, March 24.

AMENDING THE CODE.

Senater Shafer introduced a bill amending Section 22 by adding thereto as follows. The order made by a Judge under this Section shall be an attach ment of all property.

Senator LAIMBERR gave notice of a bill pro

nues, where it shall be lawful for the said Company use so much of the said avenues as may be necessary; the said railroad, and except further, that during a progress of the construction of the aforesaid tunnel, as for the purpose of said construction, it shall be lawful for the Company to make such excavations and opeings in the said streets and avenues as may be necessary, under the direction of the Street Department.

A GENERAL LAW FOR EXPRESS COMPANIES.

A GENERAL LAW FOR EAPRESS GUARANTES.
Senator SHAFER introduced a bill providing
that any number of persons not less than 20 may form
a company for the transportation of persons or property,
or either, entitled to the rights and subject to the liabilities of common earriers, and upon the terms and con-

litions prescribed in this act.

SEC. 11 of the bill provides that each stockholder of SEC. If of the bill provides that each stockholder of any company formed under this act shall be individually liable to the creditors of such company to an amount equal to the amount unpaid on the stock held by him for all the debt and liabilities of such company, until the whole amount of the empital stock so held by him shall have been paid to the company, but shall not be liable to an action therefor until an execution shall have been returned unemtisfied in whole or in part against the corporation.

IN RELATION TO INSURANCE COMPANIES.
Senator L'AIMBEER introduced a bill providing
that any Company transacting the business of Life Insurance, incorporated by any of the laws of the United
States, and which shall have complied with all the requirmenants of the act passed April 8, 1851, and June 24,
1853, as amended, be entitled to withdraw, and receive
from the Superintendent of the Insurance Department
all securities so deposited; and it shall thereupon be the
daty of such Superintendent to return such securities.
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A bill was introduced providing that section I of the set to authorize the Board of Supervisors of the County of New-York to raise money by loan, and to create a public fund to be called "The New-York County Court House Stock," be amended so as to read as follows:

Senator ANGEL introduced a bill to enlarge the power of he above Institute by providing that they may procure suitable building sites and lands, and erect and maintain thereon a home for children whose parents died in the military or naval service of the United States, and such home shall embrace the buildings necessary for the comfortable accommodation of the children therein, for their instruction, moral, intellectual, and industrial, and for their general treatment in such a manner as may promote their welfare.

The Institute may receive any child when they receive the consent in writing of the surviving parent, or the person having charge of the child.

The said Corporation shall have the power to bind out or indenture, as clerks or apprentices to some profession, for a shorter or longer period, not exceeding, however, in the case of boys, twenty-one years.

CODE AMENDMENT.

brought to the notice of the Court, they may order the Clerk of said Court to tax the costs which have accrued to said attor-ncy therein, and that an attachment or other process to issue razinat said parties compelling them to pay said costs in such

Senator Bell introduced a bill providing that so as to read as follows:

The Controller shall make a list or statement of the lands charged with such tax and interest and therefore liable to be cold; and he shall cause so many copies to be printed as to carnish ten copies to each County Treasurer, and five copies to work Town Clerk. The Controller

HOME INSURANCE COMPANY. Senator LAIMBEER reported by bill in favor of empowering the Home Insurance Company of New-York to do an Ocean Marine business.

Senator FOLGER from a majority of the Ju-diciary Committee, to whom was referred Senator Hastings's bill relative to strikes, reported the following

STATE PRISON CONTRACTS.

The bill amending the several acts relative to State Prisons was ordered to a third reading in the Senate to-day, amended so as to provide that contrac-tors may deposit as security for the faithful performance of their contract. State or United State stocks instead of

and on the companies of other States. It is such companies, establishing an agency boundary of a Eighth and it extremity extractions are department of this State for taxes and license fees an amount equal to the amount imposed by such State upon the companies of this State.

The Mississippi Cavalry Raid.

who accompanied the eavalry of Gen. Smith into Mis. frie sissippi we have the following facts, which throw a different light on the part which Col. Waring's brigade

took in the expedition.

It was stated in the early reports, which were gleaned from stragglors, that the failure of this expedition to accomplish its purpose was in a great measure due to the slow movements of this command, "consisting mainly of New-Jersey and Pennsylvania regiments." From this letter, which is entirely trustworthy, 14 appears that Col. Waring's brigade consists of one regiment from each of the following States: New-Jersey, Pennsylvania, Indiana, Illinois, and Missouri, and was stationed at Union City, Tenn., from which place it insurched to Collinaville (near Memphis), a distance of 200 miles, crossing seven rivers swollen be melting snows, and with wide and muddy bottoms. They had to cordurely roads, and build bridges and ferry-boats, and at times to harness their cavairy horses to the supply-wagons and artillery to draw thou through the slongths.

It is true that they did not reach Collinaville as soon as the cavairy which had to march only from Memphis, It is a wooder that they arrived as soon as they did, and any delay thus caused could only have been advantaged to the fourth foor.

s the cavalry which had to march only from Memphis, tis a wonder that they arrived as soon as they did, and any delay thus caused could only have been advan-ageous, it is had no other effect that to allow the infeageeus, if it had no other effect that to allow the infe-lor forces of Gen. Forrest to concentrate in the open ratiries of Mississippi, where it would have been easy o conquer them, had this been, as was supposed, one of he objects of the expedition.

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After the expedition did start, Col. Warning strigates marched strictly in accordance with its orders, and had its part in the entire movement.

After it was decided not to accept battle on the prairies, but to retreat from Forrest's forces, this willy seneral pursued our column, and continually harassed the rear. At Okolona, cally in the second day's homeword march, he attacked the brigade which was march near in the rear. ing in the rear, and caused it to break in confusion, with a less of a portion of its artillery, and to retreat through Col. Waring's lines, by which the enemy was held in check until the train and the disorganized regiments could be safely withdrawn, and which were successively retired until the position of Col. Hopkins's create a public fund to be called "The New-York County Court House Stock," be amended so as to read as follows:

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INSTITUTE OF REWARD TO ORPHANS OF PATRIOTS.

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replaces. So destructive was this pitting in boilers using the same water over and over again that in one instance the tubes of new boilers were actually eaten through at the end of two or three voyages, extending over only a few months altogether, and it became necessary to put the innew tubes and to use a portion of salt water for feed in new tubes and to use a portion of salt water for feed in the water of the boilers should not be acted upon. If the iron of the boilers should not be acted upon. If the iron of the boilers should not be acted upon. If the iron of the boilers should not be acted upon. If the iron of the boilers had all have been concluded that the patting was due to the quality of the costs of the same by an attachment, or otherwise; and may empet the patties in every specifient, and may competite parties the costs of the same by an attachment, or otherwise; and may empet the patties thereto without first having the tents of the best quality. The presence in the patties thereto without first having the large-hearted men and women who would not give slumber to their eyelids without relieving such distress if they knew how and where to do so. It is idle to rail at employers in this matter. Sad as it is to contemplate, it is nevertheless true that in all the walks of life men and women who would not give slumber to their eyelids without relieving such distress if they knew how and where to do so. It is idle to rail at employers in this matter. Sad as it is to contemplate, it is nevertheless true that in all the walks of life men and women who would not give slumber to their eyelids without relieving such distress. If they knew how and where to do so. It is idle to rail at the problem is the case of New-York, for the Soldiers' Bepot, and fag. Cont. while they have been contained from a control over the well sharp the problem is a control over the well-with th

purchase and use the articles manufactured by the CONVEYING LANDS IN NEW-YORK CITY.

Senator LAIMBERR introduced a bill providing that the Commonalty of the City of New-York may convey to the Society for the Protection of Destinate Convey to the Society for the Protection of Destinate Roman Catholic Children all that certain piece of land on Great Barn er Ward's Island designated as Nos. 32, 3nd 34 on the map of said island.

IN RELATION TO SALE OF LANDS FOR TAXES.

Senator BELL introduced a bill providing that Senator BELL introduced a bill providing that

Iown Sanitary Fair. The great number of Fairs held in the differ-

ent sections of the country for the benefit of the United States Scullary Commission, and the success attending them, attest the interest which the people feel in the work of the Savitary Commission. In addition to the Fairs already held and those heretofore noticed, we learn that the Northern Iowa Sanitary Fair Association are making preparations for a Fair to be held at Dubnque, Iowa, commencing on the 24th day of May. The Association appeals to the friends of the cause in the East to nid them in this undertaking. It is proposed by the Committee having the matter in charge who do so, the nature and place of their business, will be attached to their contributions, and exhibited at the

East can do for them. The burdens of the war have pressed for more heavily upon the agricultural States of the Far West than upon the commercial and manufact turing communities of the East. The wealth of the States is derived from the products of the form. Their army is recruited almost wholly from the farming population, for they have no other. This has lessened their sources of wealth. Let the East remember this, and out of its abundance

liberally aid the West in its efforts to alleviate the suf-

Suppose a United States soldier, accidentally

traggled from his command, or discharged, or furoughed, wounded, perhaps, or ill, and on his way home by way of New-York. Even at Hilton Head or New-Orleans, he may chance to meet one of the agents of the New-York State Soldiers' Depot. If he does, the agent will most probably advise him to go straight to that he reaches New-York. If he comes on a transport, another agent boards the vessel in the harbor through the perplexities of raffway station, ferry and

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room. A hoist-way runs the whole hight of the building, carry-sug goods, and so easily transferring the sick
and feeble to and from the hospital floor.

The institution is administered in a kind and liberal
discretion, as a provision supplementary to the rigidly
conducted regular military agencies for the stopping
and transition of soldiers through the city. The State
lassector-General, Surgeon-General, QuartermasterGeneral, Adjutant-General, and Paymaster-General,
constitute the Board of Management, whose executive
officer is Col. Neville. An Advisory Board of gentlemen, containing Issue Sherman, ess., Gen. John Ewen,
Edwards Pierrepont, esq., Judge Cardono, Maj. Prince,
and Major Baidwin. U. S. A., Ambrose Stevens, esq.,
Surgeon McDougall, Medleal Director of the Departiment of the East: Drs. Simmons and Sloane, and other
gentlemen of standing, not as seconsulting authority.
An association of Indies of equally high standing, of
which Mrs. G. P. M. Davis, is Secretary, Miss Katharine Hone, Treasurer, and Mrs. Jacob Le Roy, First
Director, maintain a constant founds attendance in the
building, for whatever poculiar alleviation of suffering or purveyance of comfort may be the
privilege of their kindly feminine hands. Col.
Neville was a long time on officer in the U. S.
avail service, and the characteristic order and nearness
of the sailor may be detected in the whole thorough
ordination of the househeeping arrangements. Cloanly
comfort is everywhere, at bed, board, lounging-room or
bopital, and the inspecting visitor gets an impression
from his researches that dirt is one of the old heathen
fables. The peor fellows in hospital look restfai and
comfortable with all the melanchely comforts that sickbed permit, and the airy, cleanly place The Wrongs of Working Women and their Remedy.

To the Editor of The N. Y. Tribuse.

Sir: The statements made at the "Working Women's" meeting, and published in your paper of this morning, seems to me to demand the serious attention of the people of this/city. It is truly lamentable that such a state of things should exist in this great and wealthy city, where there are so many generous and large-hearted men and women who would not give slumber to their cyclids without relieving such distress (Char. Years, Leave and the hoistway must seem literally as figuratively almosta "hereatheaven," after the diabolical filth of the ordure-floored transport berth-deck. The meals are plain, pleutiful and heaithful; the soldier guests, temporarily in the louisidar groom, look curiously, leisurely and easily floated up in the hoistway must seem literally as figuratively almosta "herentheaven," after the diabolical filth of the ordure-floored transport berth-deck. The meals are plain, pleutiful and heaithful; the soldier guests, temporarily in the louiging room, look curiously, leisurely and easily floated up in the hoistway must seem literally as figuratively almosta "herentheaven," after the diabolical filth of the ordure-floored transport berth-deck. The meals are plain, pleutiful and heaithful; the soldier guests, temporarily in the louiging room, look curiously, leisurely and easily floated up in the hoistway must seem literally as figuratively almosta "herethe heaven," after the diabolical filth of the ordure-floored transport berth-deck. The meals are plain, pleutiful and heaithful; the soldier guests, temporarily in the louiging room, look curiously, leisurely and easy. These gentlemen, seem literally as figuratively almosta "herethedeck. The meals are plain, pleutiful and heaithful; the soldier guests, temporarily in the louiging room, look curiously, leisurely and easy. These gentlemen, seem literally as figure the deck. The meals are plain, pleutiful and heaithful; the soldier guests, temporarily in the louiging room